

Florence, New Jersey
January 7, 2004

The Council of the Township of Florence met in the Municipal Complex, 711 Broad Street, Florence, New Jersey on the above date for the purpose of organizing for the ensuing year and for the transaction of other business which might properly come before it.

The meeting was called to order by Joy M. Weiler, Township Clerk, at 7:00 PM. Clerk Weiler led the Salute to the Flag.

Clerk Weiler read the following statement: "Notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice was published in the Burlington County Times on January 5, 2003 and January 4, 2004 and given to the Register News for information. Notice was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board."

OATH OF OFFICE

Joy Weiler, Township Clerk, administered the Oath of Office to Michael J. Muchowski, who will begin his second 4-year term as the Mayor of Florence Township, while his son Michael held the Bible.

Clerk Weiler introduced Assemblyman Herb Conaway, who administered the Oath of Office to Council Member John Fratinardo, who will begin his second 4-year term, while his wife held the Bible..

Clerk Weiler introduced Assemblyman Jack Conners, who administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Council Member Elizabeth Ryan, while her family held the Bible.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Upon roll call the following were found to be present:

Frank Baldorossi
John Fratinardo
Bruce Garganio
Elizabeth Ryan
Jerry Sandusky

Also present: Mayor Michael J. Muchowski; Richard Brook, Township Administrator;
Thomas Sahol, Assistant Municipal Administrator; Joy Weiler, Township Clerk

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

The Township Clerk opened the nominations for President of Council.

It was on the MOTION of Garganio, seconded by Baldorossi to nominate **John Fratinardo** as Council President.

There being no further nominations, it was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Ryan to close the nominations. All ayes – motion carries.

Upon roll call for **John Fratinardo**, the Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Fratinardo, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky
NOES: None
ABSENT: None Unanimous approval.

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Clerk Weiler asked Council President Fratinardo to take the chair.

VICE PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Council President Fratinardo opened the nominations for Vice President of Council.

It was on the MOTION of Baldorossi, seconded by Garganio to nominate **Elizabeth Ryan** as Vice President of Council.

There being no further nominations, it was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Baldorossi to close the nominations. All ayes – motion carries.

Upon roll call for **Elizabeth Ryan**, the Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Fratinardo, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

Planning Board

It was on the MOTION of Ryan, seconded by Baldorossi to nominate **John Fratinardo** as Council Representative to the **Planning Board**.

There being no further nominations, it was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Baldorossi to close the nominations. All ayes – motion carries.

Upon roll call for **John Fratinardo**, the Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinardo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

Environmental Commission

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Fratinardo to nominate **Frank Baldorossi** as Council Representative to the **Environmental Commission**.

There being no further nominations, it was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Fratinardo to close the nominations. All ayes – motion carries.

Upon roll call for **Frank Baldorossi**, the Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinardo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

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Recreation Committee

It was on the MOTION of Baldorossi, seconded by Ryan to nominate **Bruce Garganio** as Council Representative to the **Recreation Committee**.

There being no further nominations, it was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Baldorossi to close the nominations. All ayes – motion carries.

Upon roll call for **Bruce Garganio**, the Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinardo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

FAAD

It was on the MOTION of Ryan, seconded by Baldorossi to nominate **Jerry Sandusky** as Council Representative to **FAAD**.

There being no further nominations, it was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Ryan to close the nominations. All ayes – motion carries.

Upon roll call for **Jerry Sandusky**, the Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinardo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

Redevelopment Committee

It was on the MOTION of Baldorossi, seconded by Fratinardo to nominate **Elizabeth Ryan** as Council Representative to the **Redevelopment Committee**.

There being no further nominations, it was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Baldorossi to close the nominations. All ayes – motion carries.

Upon roll call for **Elizabeth Ryan**, the Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinardo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

Committee on Landfill Matters

It was on the MOTION of Ryan, seconded by Baldorossi to nominate **John Fratinardo** as Council Representative to the **Committee on Landfill Matters**.

There being no further nominations, it was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Garganio to close the nominations. All ayes – motion carries.

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Upon roll call for **John Fratinardo**, the Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinardo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

Zoning Board of Adjustment – (2) Two 4 Year Terms Ending 12/31/07

It was on the MOTION of Ryan, seconded by Baldorossi to nominate **James Angelini and John Groze, Sr.**

There being no further nominations, it was on the MOTION of Baldorossi, seconded by Ryan to close the nominations. All ayes – motion carries.

Upon roll call for **James Angelini and John Groze, Sr.**, the Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinardo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

Zoning Board of Adjustment – Alternate #1 – 2 Year Term Ending 12/31/05

It was on the MOTION of Ryan, seconded by Fratinardo to nominate **B. Michael Zekas.**

There being no further nominations, it was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Baldorossi to close the nominations. All ayes – motion carries.

Upon roll call for **B. Michael Zekas**, the Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinardo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

**Florence Township Advisory Committee on Economic Development and Redevelopment
2 (Two) 2 Year Terms**

It was on the MOTION of Baldorossi, seconded by Ryan to nominate **Jeanne Ashmore and George Lengel.**

There being no further nominations, it was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Ryan to close the nominations. All ayes – motion carries.

Upon roll call for **Jeanne Ashmore and George Lengel** the Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinardo

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NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

**Florence Township Advisory Committee on Economic Development and Redevelopment
2 (Two) 1 Year Terms**

It was on the MOTION of Baldorossi, seconded by Sandusky to nominate **Keith Crowell and Clark L. Boyd, III.**

There being no further nominations, it was on the MOTION of Baldorossi, seconded by Ryan to close the nominations. All ayes – motion carries.

Upon roll call for **Keith Crowell and Clark L. Boyd, III** the Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinardo
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

Florence Township Committee on Landfill Matters 2 (Two) 2 Year Terms

It was on the MOTION of Ryan, seconded by Baldorossi to nominate **David Mulcahy and Patrick Sobczak.**

There being no further nominations, it was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Ryan to close the nominations. All ayes – motion carries.

Upon roll call for **David Mulcahy and Patrick Sobczak** the Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinardo
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Muchowski presented the following appointments:

<u>Commission</u>	<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Term Ending</u>
Planning Board	Dennis O'Hara, Class 4	12/31/07
Planning Board	Mildred Hamilton-Wood, Class 4	12/31/05
Planning Board	Thomas Napolitan, Class 2	12/31/04
Planning Board	Robert Semptimphelter, Class 4/Alt #1	12/31/05
Environmental Commission	Paul A. Ordog, Jr., Ward #1 Commissioner	12/31/06
Environmental Commission	Pierre Lacombe, Ward #3 Commissioner	12/31/06
Historic Preservation Commission	Thomas Napolitan, Class C	12/31/07
Historic Preservation Commission	George Lengel, Class C/Alt #1	12/31/05

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Economic Development Council	Charles Bauer	12/31/04
Economic Development Council	Ray Montgomery	12/31/04
Economic Development Council	Christine Hedlund	12/31/04
Economic Development Council	Barbara Marshall	12/31/04
Economic Development Council	Joan K. Geary	12/31/04
Economic Development Council	Virginia Dimon	12/31/04
Economic Development Council	Richard Gaglio	12/31/04
Economic Development Council	Marvin L. Wainwright	12/31/04
Economic Development Council	Gerald Santoleri	12/31/04
Economic Development Council	Thomas McCue	12/31/04
Recreation Committee	Stu Foulks	12/31/08
Recreation Committee	Jay Lee	12/31/08
Recreation Committee	Thomas Sahol, FAAD Representative	12/31/04
Assessment Commission	Arthur Wise	12/31/04
Assessment Commission	Richard J. Mullen	12/31/04
Assessment Commission	Adriano Marinelli	12/31/04
Shade Tree Commission	Christopher Chanti	12/31/08
Shade Tree Commission	Harry Robinson	12/31/08
Municipal Alliance Membership	Thomas A. Sahol	12/31/04
Community Dev. Block Grant Rep.	Thomas A. Sahol	12/31/04
Delaware Estuary Program	Paul Ordog, Jr.	12/31/04
Adv. Comm. on Econ. Dev./Redev.	George E. Sampson	12/31/05
Adv. Comm. on Econ. Dev./Redev.	Donna McElrea	12/31/05
Adv. Comm. on Landfill Matters	Astra Haldeman	12/31/05
American with Disabilities	Joseph McHugh	12/31/04
American with Disabilities	Richard A. Brook	12/31/04
American with Disabilities	Randy Belnap	12/31/04
American with Disabilities	Joy M. Weiler	12/31/04

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Baldorossi to approve the above listed appointments.

Upon roll call to approve the **Mayor's Appointments**, the Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinardo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-01

ANNUAL NOTICE AND SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 231, P.L. 1975

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RESOLUTION NO. 2004-02

TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2004

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-03

DESIGNATING DEPOSITORIES

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-04

ACCOUNTS DEPOSITED AT FLEET BANK

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-05

ACCOUNTS DEPOSITED AT SUN NATIONAL BANK

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-06

ACCOUNTS DEPOSITED AT ROEBLING BANK

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-07

**AUTHORIZING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
WITH TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR
KEARNS, VASSALLO AND KEARNS**

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-08

**AUTHORIZING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH
TOWNSHIP ENGINEER**

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-09

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL PLANNER

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-10

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP WATER & SEWER ENGINEER

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RESOLUTION NO. 2004-11

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF PROSECUTOR

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-12

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC DEFENDER

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-13

APPOINTING TAX SEARCH OFFICER

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-14

DESIGNATION OF MUNICIPAL ASSESSMENT SEARCH OFFICER

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-15

APPOINT DEPUTY TOWNSHIP CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-16

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-17

APPOINTING ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-18

**APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
TENURE TERM
SANDRA A. BLACKER**

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-19

APPOINTING RECYCLING COORDINATOR

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RESOLUTION NO. 2004-20

APPOINTING ROAD INSPECTOR

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-21

**APPOINTING TEMPORARY SUBSTITUTES FOR MUNICIPAL
PROSECUTORS**

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-22

**AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, SANDRA A. BLACKER,
TO MAKE MUNICIPAL DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS AS PER THE
CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN**

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-23

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF BOND COUNSEL

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-24

**APPOINTING TOWNSHIP CLERK AS
PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER**

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-25

**APPOINT THE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR, RICHARD A. BROOK,
AS THE JOINT INSURANCE FUND COMMISSIONER**

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-26

**RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT
BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND
MUNICIPAL EXCESS LIABILITY INSURANCE FUND**

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-27

APPOINTING MUNICIPAL JUDGE

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RESOLUTION NO. 2004-28

ADOPTING CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-29

**ADOPTION OF A DRUG FREE WORKPLACE POLICY
IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE DRUG FREE WORKPLACE ACT**

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-30

**APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH COMMERCE NATIONAL RISK
CONTROL FOR ALCOHOL AND DRUG TESTING SERVICES**

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-31

APPOINTING REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-32

**A RESOLUTION FIXING INTEREST RATES AND PENALTIES
ON DELINQUENT TAXES AND MUNICIPAL CHARGES AND FIXING
ADDITIONAL SUMS TO BE PAID TO THE HOLDER OF A TAX
TITLE UPON REDEMPTION**

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-33

ESTABLISHING A CHARGE FOR RETURNED CHECKS

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-34

REAPPOINT TAX COLLECTOR

It was on the MOTION of Baldorossi, seconded by Ryan to approve Resolutions 2004-01 through 2004-34.

On the Question

Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinardo

NOES: None

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ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Fratinardo (Resolution No. 2004-23 only)

Motion carries.

ORDINANCE

None at this time.

FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENCE

It was on the MOTION of Baldorossi; seconded by Sandusky to receive and file the Clerk's report and the Police report for December 2003. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

It was on the MOTION of Baldorossi; seconded by Sandusky to approve the Treasurer's Bill List. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

MINUTES

Sandusky made a MOTION; seconded by Baldorossi to approve the following minutes. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Regular Session	November 12, 2003
Executive Session	November 12, 2003
Closed Session	December 3, 2003 and December 10, 2003

REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported none at this time.

APPLICATIONS

Chinese Auction: Florence Township Chapter of Deborah, March 26, 2004, VFW Post 8838, Tenth Avenue, Roebling, 6:00 PM – 11:00 PM

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Baldorossi to approve the Chinese Auction application for the Florence Township Chapter of Deborah.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinardo
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Nothing at this time.

All residents having an opportunity to be heard, MOTION by Sandusky; seconded by Fratinardo to close the public portion of the meeting. All ayes - motion carried.

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COMMENTS BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Mayor Muchowski

Mayor Muchowski introduced and invited the professionals, which were reappointed this evening, to take their seats.

Mayor Muchowski thanked Assemblyman Conaway and Assemblyman Connors for attending this evening's meeting and introduced Burlington County Clerk, Phil Haines. He also introduced former Florence Township Mayor George Sampson, former Mayor John Kocubinski, several employees of Florence Township, present Board Members, former Council Members and members of his family that are in attendance this evening. Mayor Muchowski thanked everyone for their hard work especially former Council Member John Hofflinger.

Mayor Muchowski thanked the community for re-electing him as mayor. He pledged to work hard to improve Florence Township for all residents.

Council Member Elizabeth Ryan

Council Member Ryan thanked the dignitaries in attendance this evening. She especially thanked Assemblyman Conaway and Assemblyman Connors for swearing her in and Council Member Fratinardo. She thanked her family and friends for their support. She also thanked her running mates, Mayor Muchowski and Council Member Fratinardo and former Council Member John Hofflinger, who have shown tremendous dedication to the Township. She thanked the residents of Florence Township for honoring her with their vote and hopes to be able to honor the residents through her service to the community.

Council President Fratinardo

Council President Fratinardo thanked everyone for attending this evening and for placing their confidence in him. He thanked his fellow Council Members, Mayor Muchowski and the Board Members for their time, hard work and dedication.

7:45 PM MOTION by Sandusky, seconded by Ryan to adjourn meeting. Roll call vote - all ayes.

ADJOURNMENT

7:45 PM: Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

JOY M. WEILER
Township Clerk

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